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WAR NEWS.

GERMAN PROTEST AGAINST
JAPANESE LANDING.

Peking, Sept. 5.
When the news came on the 3rd inst. about the landing of the Japanese, Baron Maltzan, German Charge d'Affaires, hastened to the Washington to protest this breach of neutrality, and has urged the Chinese Government, what measures China intends to take. If he would take no measures, Germany would renew all her rights with regard to this breach of neutrality and all consequences arising therefrom, as far as German property is concerned. After the Chinese Government had issued a declaration limiting the zone of neutrality, Baron Maltzan declared to the Chinese Government that Germany could not acknowledge this declaration of China, since it was made after the breach of neutrality by the Japanese, and since the limitation was made exclusively in favour of Germany's enemies and without Germany's consent.

Dr. von Reichen, Austro-Hungarian Minister to Peking, has protested in a similar way to Baron Maltzan, the German Charge d'Affaires, against the landing of the Japanese. So far no reply has been given either to the German or to the Austro-Hungarian note.

THE ALLEGATIONS AGAINST MR.
ECKFORD.

Publicity was recently given to an allegation that a non-German official in Tsingtao had broken his parole and that, but for the fact of his being an intimate friend of the Governor, he would have been shot.

No name was mentioned at that time, but to all the acquaintances with Tsingtao it was obvious that no other official could be meant except the British Vice-Consul, Mr. R. H. Eckford.

More recently the "Ostasiatischer Lloyd" has definitely stated that it was Mr. R. H. Eckford, the British Vice-Consul who was referred to.

This statement was read by the Government of Tsingtao, which immediately wrote to Mr. Eckford, now at Tsinanfu, the following statement:—

We see from the "Ostasiatischer Lloyd" of August 28, on page 192, that you have been accused of breaking your parole. On reading this we at once communicated with the editor that this statement is false, and that you have not in any way broken your word to us.

This disposition of the serious charge made against Mr. Eckford in a manner that will be the more satisfactory to the British community in China in view of its preposterous and utterly unfounded nature.—N. C. Daily News.

OFFICIAL TELEGRAMS.

The following was received from the Foreign Office, on 5th September:—

The following Agreement has been signed here today with the French and Russian Ambassadors:—

The undersigned, duly authorized by their respective Governments, hereby declare as follows:—The British, French and Russian Governments mutually engage not to conclude peace separately during the present war. The three Governments agree that when terms of peace come to be discussed no one of the Allies will demand conditions of peace without the previous agreement of the other Allies in full, whereof the undersigned have affixed thereto their seals. Done at London in triplicate this fifth day of September 1914.

DUM-DUM BULLETS.

Also the following:—

H. M. Government declare publicly and officially that the statement made by the German General Staff to the effect that Dum-dum bullets have been found on French and English prisoners is entirely untrue. Neither the British nor the French Army has ever possessed or has issued any but the approved patterns of rifle and revolver ammunition which do not infringe in any respect the provisions of the Hague Convention.

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AN OLD MAID'S
TRAGEDY.

BY A. ST. JOHN ADCOCK.

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Having had the whole day in which to reflect and prepare herself, Miss Gurney had got her feelings so well under control that she was able to hand the photograph to Hester across the table and say without a tremor in her voice: "I picked this up on the floor, Hester, after you were gone this morning."

The girl took it from her eagerly: she had been in trouble about it all day, wondering where she had lost it, and, in a flutter of relief and embarrassment, slipped it into her pocket without a word; but Miss Gurney noticed that her cheeks blushed, and then a ready red surged back and overflowed them.

The silence between them became too strained not to be broken.

"You did not tell me, Hester, that you knew," said Miss Gurney hesitating. "I am a friend of yours, don't you?"

"Yes, aunt."

"How long have you known him?"

"Not very long. Not more than three months."

This explained to Miss Gurney the change it had caused her to observe in Hester lately: her placid, subdued habit of mind had seemed rather disturbed, so that sometimes she sang for very happiness, with a strange, new light in her eyes, and sometimes she was saddened and preoccupied with positive dreams.

"I hope, Hester," said Miss Gurney firmly, "you do not know him?"

"I know him," said Hester, her lips quivering, and she refuses to see me, and threatens to turn Richard into the street if he will not give me up."

"He is rich, you see, dear," murmured Miss Gurney bitterly, "and we are poor. Probably his mother—"

"She has been dead several years."

"Then it is his father. He probably intends his son to marry money, or social influence."

"But, Richard won't. He will never marry anyone but me. If I will wait for him."

"Why is he going away?"

"His father is sending him to manage a large branch of his business at Ceylon. He is to be out there three years—perhaps longer. His father is only sending him, he says, so as to separate him from me, and he can't refuse to go without ruining his prospects; and, for my sake, he does not want to do that. I don't care whether he is rich or poor, but Richard says if his father turned him aside, he would have nothing—and so it is best to wait, because he will never change. And so he is going away at the end of this week. I can't bear him to go. I might never see him again, but if he lives he will come back to me."

She said it had definitely, half despatchingly, and laid her head on Miss Gurney's lap again to hide her tears.

For fully ten minutes neither of them spoke, then rousing herself with a heavy sigh, Miss Gurney said hesitatingly:

"I might do something. I don't know what I can do—but bring him home with you tomorrow evening, and let me see him, dear. If he is all you think he is—but let me see him for myself. Bring him home with you to-morrow evening."

II.

And the following evening, when Richard Harwood came, Miss Gurney was easily converted to Hester's opinion of him. His frank, honest eyes, his unaffected simplicity of speech and manner, his diffidence, his admiration of her, his unconscious love of her—all conspired to win Miss Gurney's confidence and approval, and won them in spite of herself.

"Forgive me. I know what you say is true," he returned wistfully. "I must think, Ruth," the name now involuntarily to his lips, "that I'm forever a nobody, or forgotten, or that I have been altogether happy. I know I wronged you terribly—terribly—and the memory of it has come between me and happiness more and more as I have grown older and had time to think."

"And I am interposed harshly," But I did not come to talk of what is past. You did me a great wrong, and I never dreamt till yesterday of seeing you again or that there was any way in which I might be brought to forgive you."

"And I am there?" Tell me what it is, he cried. "I would give a great deal to make some preparation for what I have done. I am not the reckless, selfish fool I was in those days."

"He was terribly morose, but not more so than was Miss Gurney herself; it was as much as she could do to steady her voice and keep her emotion hidden from him."

"You are not engaged to my niece—indeed, you could not be, as she did not know any thing of it until two days ago," he said, gathering confidence as he spoke, and speaking with a detached air as if what he discussed did not concern himself personally.

"You have forbidden your son to see her again, and are sending her away with some idea of parting them for ever. She is everything to me now—if I had not loved her so, my pride would never have allowed me to come to you. I came only to save her from such a life as mine has been. I couldn't think, if you knew, that you would break her heart as you have broken mine."

She stopped abruptly, and he gazed at her with a sort of terror in his eyes.

"I did not know who she was," he said huskily.

"I came to tell you."

He sat looking at her, stricken dumb, for even in his most repentant moments he had not thought the consequences of his sin could spread so high, so far-reaching, and so irreparable; he sat looking at her and reading in her this frank, hard, and in her worn, furrowed features the silent, silent story of her life, her past, her present, and her future.

He had no words for his shame and remorse, and in some subtle fashion the poignancy of his emotion communicated itself to her. She would not trust herself to look at him or address him again; and though he twice tried as if he would speak each time his voice broke like a sobs in his throat and his fall silent.

The tension was becoming so painful that it was an insatiable relief to both of them when a knock sounded on the door, and the footman entered apologetically.

"Beg pardon, sir," he said. "Cyrus is at the gate, sir, for Mr. Richard's boxes. They're all corded in his room, but he isn't home yet, and hasn't labelled which he wants for us during the voyage, and I thought you'd know."

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COMPLAINT OF EAVESDROPPING

"The U. S. Consular Court was crowded yesterday afternoon says the North-China Daily News of Sept. 4, when the preliminary hearing of a complaint against Leon Crowell for eavesdropping made by Mr. J. Elmire, manager of the firm of G. McLean and Company, was proceeded with before Mr. M. F. Perkins, Vice-Counsel acting judicially. The complainant, which is of a distinctly novel character was as follows:

"No self-interest could have annihilated her pride, and urged her to such lengths as she went unhesitatingly for Hester's sake."

She rose the morning after Richard Harwood's visit with a great resolve already fixed in her mind. She dared not reflect much upon it upon all its fulfillment must mean to her; but early in the evening she travelled westward, for the first time in her life, to Langkau, to the utmost and most secret place at her disposal where she found herself knocking at the door of this little house in Kowloon.

"Is Mr. Harwood at home?" she asked, shrinking.

"The man eyed her dubiously; she made a rather abhorr, quite insignificant little figure standing there on the doorstep.

"Well—yes—he's at home. What might you want for?"

"He is very rich, you see, dear," murmured Miss Gurney bitterly, "and we are poor. Probably his mother—"

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"I am pleased to see you, Miss Gurney," she began lamely; and then sat down and looked at her, and seemed waiting for her to speak.

"But she could not trust herself yet; her heart was fluttering suffocatingly, and she felt that if she attempted to answer him she was so unutterable mass burst into tears, and the very thought of this humiliating herself in his presence helped to strengthen her.

"It is a very long while," he made an effort and responded lamely, "since we saw each other, Miss Gurney."

"A very long while!" his halting words had an unintentional sting in them, and at once she had hung her weakness from her. "I would not have troubled you now on my own account."

"Please don't say that," she was vaguely conscious of a wistful eagerness in his tone. "If there is anything I can do for you—"

"There is nothing you can do for me," she said, with quiet decision. "You should know me better than to think I would ask you, even the smallest favour of you for myself."

He quailed d under her indignant glance, and threw out his hands with a gesture of despair, and then rousing herself with a heavy sigh, Miss Gurney's lap again to hide her tears.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

GERMANS RETIRING AT MANY POINTS.

In the centre and right the enemy have evacuated Vitry-le-François, which had been fortified, and Reims. The Germans abandoned quantities of war material when attacked at Sermazie.

At Revin the enemy has also begun to give way on Argonne, retreating by the forest of Belloncote.

LATER.

In Lorraine we have made some slight progress. We have occupied the edge of the forests of Champenois, Rehainvillers and Gerbevillers. The Germans have evacuated Sain Die.

THE BELGIANS DEFEATING THE GERMANS.

LONDON, Sept. 12, 9.30 a.m.

An official communiqué issued in Antwerp at midnight states: "The provinces of Antwerp and Limburg entirely and Eastern Flanders almost entirely are free of the enemy."

"The Belgians reoccupied Terneuse. The Germans lost heavily in the fight in the environs and fled headlong."

"The German column advancing from Mons towards Oudenaarde-Rognon retreated northwards during the night, but was checked from the height of Ebenne, and again wheeled southward."

"The Belgian Field Army took the offensive against the Germans making for Antwerp. We captured Aarschot on the 10th September. We advanced continually, and on the 11th September our Artillery, especially with the new heavy field guns, inflicted important losses."

LONDON, Sept. 13, 4.30 a.m.

It is reported that the Belgian Army has cut in two the German army occupying Cointeberg, between Louvain and Brussels. A battle is proceeding south-east of Antwerp, but it is still indecisive.

RUSSIANS COMPLETELY DEFEAT AUSTRO-GERMAN ARMIES.

LONDON, Sept. 13, 5.10 a.m.

An official announcement published in Petrograd states that the Russians have completely defeated the Austro-German armies from Krusnik to Tomasoff, which they have driven over the river Sava."

"The Russians have also achieved great successes against the Austrians west north west of Leipzig."

"The Russians captured 200 officers and 30,000 men, making them prisoners. Many guns and quickfires, along with munitions, were also taken."

"The Press Bureau confirms to-day the brilliant Russian victory, along with the capture of 30,000 prisoners and several hundred guns."

LATER.

THE GERMAN ARMY AT THE RIVER ALLE.

LONDON, Sept. 11, 12.10 p.m.

A Petrograd communiqué says the German troops from the west concentrated at the River Alle, from whence they began their movement eastward, moving in great columns across the Masurian Lakes.

The Russian advance troops are retiring eastward, but holding the enemy's advance.

CAPTURE OF TOMASOFF.

LONDON, Sept. 12, 11.20 p.m.

The Russians have captured Tomasoff, and cut off the Left Wing of the Austrian Army operating between Tomasoff and Rawa-Ruska.

LONDON, Sept. 12, 11.35 a.m.

A message from Petrograd states that the Russians continue their victorious advance and are driving the entire left wing of the Austrian army into an angle between the rivers Vistula (24.24 N. and 18.40 E.) and San (30.47 N. and 21.50 E.). This confronts the Austrians with a complete defeat as the forces are bad.

The Russian success is due to their artillery. Hungarian regiments are showing great gallantry.

The fighting line as the result of attacks and counter-attacks is still haphazard movement but generally the Russians have gained ground towards the Austrian frontier.

Hut fighting is in progress on the Austrian's right.

GERMANS GO TO ASSISTANCE OF AUSTRIANS.

LONDON, Sept. 12, 1.10 p.m.

A later communiqué from Petrograd to-day states that the Germans have arrived at Grodok to assist the Austrians.

The operations of the Russians on two wings and rear of the western Austrian army are favourable to the Russian Arms.

A turning movement near Rawa-Ruska against the Austrian flanks is proceeding successfully.

The Servians are continuing successfully on the offensive.

AUSTRALIAN EXPEDITION OCCUPIES HERBERTSHOE.

LONDON, Sept. 12, 1.25 p.m.

Rear-Admiral Sir George Edwin Patey, (Commander-in-Chief of the Royal Australian Fleet) reports at Melbourne that the Australian Expedition occupied Herbertshoe this morning unopposed.

LATER.

The Rt. Hon. L. Harcourt has announced that Rear-Admiral Patey's Australian Squadron hoisted the Union Jack at Herbertshoe without opposition.

A Naval landing party under Commander J. Beresford established themselves ashore at dawn without the enemy's knowledge.

LATER.

The Australians captured the Wireless Station at Herbertshoe after eighteen hours' bush fighting.

At the Garrisons of Herbertshoe and Raboul another two serjeants were killed and one wounded.

THE GERMAN CASUALTIES.

LATER.

The Admiralty announce that the German casualties at Herbertshoe include between twenty and thirty killed German officers, including the commander and fifteen non-commissioned officers and fifty-six native police captured. Captain Pockley of the Army Medical Corps was killed.

FIGHT FOR FOUR MILES THROUGH BUSH.

LATER.

A section proceeding to destroy the wireless station, the progress of the party was stoutly opposed and had to fight for four miles through the bush, the road being in many places mined.

The German officer commanding the trenches five hundred yards from the station surrendered unconditionally, as guns which had been landed on the steps had taken capture of the station.

THE CASUALTIES.

The casualties were:—Lieut. Comdr. Elwell and two Australian Naval Reserve killed; three wounded. The German casualties are unknown. Thirty-seven German prisoners were taken.

BY TELEGRAPH.

AMBASSADORS PROTEST TO TURKEY.

LONDON, Sept. 12, 12.50 p.m.

A Press Bureau message states that the Ambassadors of all the Powers have protested at Constantinople against Turkey abolishing the Capitulations.

THE SITUATION FAR BETTER THAN EXPECTED.

LONDON, Sept. 13, 9.35 p.m.

The Right Hon. Winston Churchill, addressing a great recruiting meeting in London, said he confessed the situation was far better than had been expected in the early stages. (Cheers.) If this battle had been as disastrous as, thank God, it appeared triumphant, he would still come before them with unabated confidence. (Cheers) Whatever might happen, the war would finish in accordance with our interests and those of civilisation.

Mr. Churchill, amid great laughter, said that not a single German battleship could be found on the so-called German Ocean. The health of the Navy was better than it had ever been. They could rely upon the Navy to maintain its supremacy. What they had to do now was to make a great Army. The only sure way of bringing the war to an end was to put and keep on the Continent an Army of at least one million men.

THE DERAILED TROOP TRAIN.

LONDON, Sept. 11.

Eight were killed and 86 were injured in the accident to the troop train in South Africa.

AUSTRALIA AND THE MOTHER COUNTRY.

LONDON, Sept. 11.

The new Prime Minister of Australia (Mr. Fisher) declares that in the new Commonwealth is with the Mother Country to the end. Labour's policy would be in accordance with that of the previous Labour Administration.

DETAILS OF THE FIGHTING IN FRANCE.

The following Havas telegrams have been kindly sent to us through the French Consulate:

PARIS, Sept. 11, 5 p.m.

On front of Paris-Verdun: First part of battle on the Marne seems to be in favour of the Allies as the right wing and the centre of the Germans are now in retreat. Situation unchanged on our right in the district of the Vosges and Nancy. The Germans tried to shell Nancy with long range guns.

The general situation has entirely changed in the last few days from a strategical as well as from a tactical standpoint. Not only did we stop the German advance, which the Germans believed was a victorious one, but the enemy retired before us at nearly all points.

From Nîmes:—The Servian Army captured Semlin after a hard fight.

Sept. 12, 9.50 a.m.

The German allegation that Maubeuge and 40,000 prisoners have been captured is officially denied.

The German right wing of the First German army has been compelled to re-cross the Marne north of La Ferte-sous-Jouarre. The whole valley of the Marne above Fère-en-Tardenois, Nezy and the river Dhuy has been evacuated by the Germans.

The Fifth German Army in Aragon was attacked near Vavincourt, and the French troops have progressed slightly.

The Germans attacked the fort of Génicourt near Verdun.

The Sixth German Army advanced slightly in Lorraine on the road to Caleau-Saints, but is now retreating to the forest of Mompouey.

A telegram from Paris, dated September 10th, 4.30 p.m., states that all attempts made by the Germans to break through on the Left Wing on the right bank of the Ourcq have failed. The British troops crossed the Marne. The Germans marched back 40 kilometers. No notable change in the centre and right.

A telegram from Petrograd states the Russians have occupied the Austrian towns, Soutchava and Gatchina near Roumania.

A Havas telegram states that on our left wing the Germans began a general retreat between Ourcq and Marne. Their front extended yesterday from Soissons, Braine, Pommery, to the Reims Hills. Their cavalry has been exhausted. The Anglo-French troops are in pursuit. A weak resistance was offered yesterday.

On the French centre and right wing the Germans are evacuating the course of the river Sainx and Vitry-le-François, where they had previously fortified themselves. During the French attacks on Lorraine and Revin the enemy abandoned lots of material. The German forces occupying Argonne are beginning to fall back and are marching North through the Forest of Belloncote.

The French have evacuated Saint Die.

The French troops in Champagne were at first compelled to retire on Mourmelon and Châlons but adopting the offensive, they caused the Third German Army to lose part of the ground they had gained.

The Belgian Army is acting vigorously against the Germans, in the vicinity of Antwerp.

The Servians have occupied Semlin.

FIGHTING IN EAST AFRICA.

LONDON, Sept. 13, 3.45 p.m.

A Nairobi telegram states that a strong force of Germans has occupied Karangu. The British from Port Florence are advancing against them.

The Germans at Tsavo River are retreating before a British force from Bura. Three German officers and some native troops have been captured.

Details of the fierce action of last Sunday are not yet available, but the British made a most gallant bayonet charge against the fiercest machine-gun fire.

The 29th Punjab suffered somewhat heavily.

RESIGNATION OF A GREEK MINISTER.

LONDON, Sept. 14.

The Greek Foreign Minister, M. Strait, has resigned and M. Venizelos, the Premier, takes charge of Foreign Affairs.

RUSSIAN PRESS JUBILANT.

LONDON, Sept. 14, 2 a.m.

The Russian Press is jubilant at Austria's defeat and declare that the Monarchy is already tottering.

WAR NEWS.

AUSTRALIAN GERMANS LOYAL TO ENGLAND.

MELBOURNE, Aug. 6.

About 350 German residents of Hochkirch and district assembled at the School Hall, Hochkirch, last night to protest their loyalty to the British throne. The meeting was called by the officials of the Lutheran Church, and was addressed by the greatest enthusiasts.

Pastor Krawinkel (the chairman) moved:—"(1) That, whereas the majority

of us are born Australians, and a small proportion are naturalised subjects, who have sworn fidelity to the English Crown, we, therefore, express in unqualified terms our loyalty to the King of England, George V.; and (2) that we are prepared, should the necessity arise, to sacrifice our property and our lives for the welfare of England."

The motion was carried with cheers for the King and the singing of the National Anthem.

A speech was made by a similar object was presented by W. W. Hunt, and a motion to the same effect was agreed to.

The Lutheran congregation in Hochkirch to-day made a similar declaration.

TYphoon Warning.

The following telegram was received at the American Consulate General from the Manila Observatory at 4.35 p.m. on Sunday:—

Cyclone or typhoon, 135° Long. E. 24° Lat. N. moving W.

MILITARY CONCERT.

Arranged to relieve any tendency towards monotony by the British troops stationed at the Western end of the Island, the concert at Mount Davis on Saturday evening simply fulfilled its purpose. From start to finish there was not a turn uninteresting of the sustained applause gratefully given by those for whose benefit the concert was arranged. Major Pritchard, Commanding 8th Co. R.G.A., Captain and Adjutant Burton R.A., Captain Cowan, 17th Punjab, Rev. Cooper-Hunt, C.P.E., Lieut. Head, R.E., and a number of other officers arrived early.

Master-Gunner May, C.S.M., Bla, Sgt. Haylock, Corp. Farmer, and Gunner B. A. Cooper, and Hutchby were the committee. An excellent stage was erected, the solidity of which was neatly covered by bunting. The programme announced Oatmeal "water" and "barbed wire" sandwiches ad lib, but nothing was eaten of these, at any rate, in the form stated.

The programme was started by the 8th Co. R.G.A. Band and received an impetus when Sergt. Palmer rendered "We stoned him on Deck with Glue."

Gunner V. C. Labrum, H.K.V.C., sang "Hail! Hail! How the Winds Blow"

in his inimitable manner and was enthusiastically received; his song in the second part of the programme having such a catchy, refrain that it will be hummed on and off "barbed wire" till the end of hostilities.

Mr. A. B. Allen having recovered from the climb up the chairs were available "obliged" twice in the first half (just what the audience wanted) and again in the record, everyone joining in his chorus with great gusto. Gunner A. J. England, H.K.V.C., nicely leavened the humorous element with a song in each half, "Land of Hope and Glory" and "The Song of the Bow," and these were well among the favourite contributions of the evening. Rev. Cooper-Hunt, Gunner R. A. Cooper, Master Gunner May, C.S.M., Bla, Corp. Walden, R.E. (who deserves special mention for his rendering of "Goodbye" (Tosti), Corp. Farmer and Gunner Townsend all helped with the musical portion of the programme. Corp. Moore and Bla, Sandford gave a giddy display that contained some novel performances. One item that was looked forward to was the Indian War Dance given by a detachment of the 7th Punjab. In the merriment it presented a spectacle that was wailed in the extreme albeit the movements were wonderfully precise, the individuals using the swords obviously having to be so.

The visitors left about 10.30 and to show their appreciation the troops gave them hearty cheers. The best thanks of the officers and men of the 8th Co. R.G.A. are given to those who undertook the tiring climb to give their services, viz: Messrs. Labrum, Silks, and England of the H.K.V.C., and Mr. A. B. Allen, R.N.Y. Police.

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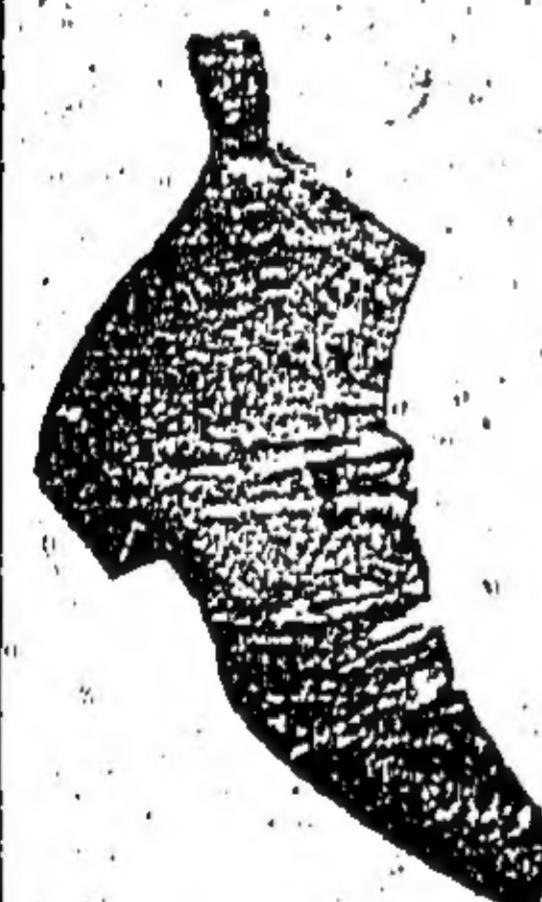
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